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BUREAU OF THE BUDGET WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Dulles:

Pursuant to provisions of Budget Circular A-19, and the delegation of authority from the President referred to therein, the Bureau of the Budget has received a communication regarding the following legislative proposal:

Draft bill "To authorize military and civilian personnel of the Department of Defense to carry firearms."

(Submitted by the Department of Defense as part of its 1957 legis-lative program)

Before advising the submitting agency of the relationship of the proposal to the program of the President, the Director of the Bureau of the Budget would appreciate receiving an expression of your views with respect thereto.

It would be appreciated if your reply could be received by November 15.

If it is desired to confer on this matter, please communicate with J. F. C. Hyde, Jr. , Bureau of the Budget, 17th and Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., telephone Code 146, Branch 437 .

In addition to your agency, requests for views have been transmitted to the following agencies: Departments of Justice and Treasury.

Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence
Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Norman Paul 335 Admin. Bldg.

Enclosures: Copy, Defense draft bill Copy, letter to Speaker

Sincerely yours

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